# MEDI-CAL UPDATE

## Allied Health Services Bulletin 338

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#### **CTP Services Payment Reduction**

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2004, reimbursements for Children's Treatment Program (CTP) services will be reduced by 5 percent. The reductions will remain in effect until further notice.

Although CTP services have been identified as exempt from the 5 percent Medi-Cal reimbursement reduction mandated under the Budget Act of 2003 (Assembly Bill 1762), projected CTP expenditures for the 2003-2004 fiscal year currently exceed revenues. Section 16934.5(b)(3)(c) of the *Welfare and Institutions Code* (W & I) states that the CTP may "...adjust payments for the remainder of the fiscal year to providers on a pro rata basis in order to ensure that expenditures do not exceed available revenues."

In addition, the reduction is consistent with the recent action by Medi-Cal to reduce provider reimbursements by 5 percent (refer to this month's Part 1 *Medi-Cal Update*). As stated in the *CTP Medical Services Policies and Procedures Manual*, "Reimbursement is provided at current Medi-Cal rates. (As Medi-Cal increases or reduces the level of reimbursement, CTP level of reimbursement will also change.)"

#### **County Medical Services Program: Rate Adjustment**

Effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2003, the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) implemented a 10 percent rate reduction for services rendered to CMSP recipients. This reduction applies to CMSP recipients with the following aid codes: 50, 84, 85, 88, 89 and 8F. This reduction does not apply to inpatient services.

Remittance Advice Details (RADs) will identify payments affected by these rate reductions with RAD code message 477: "CMSP (County Medical Services Program) reduction cutback."

**Note:** This reduction is not related to the Medi-Cal reimbursement reduction of 5 percent (required by the *Welfare and Institutions Code* [W&I], Section 14105.19).

Information about this rate reduction is reflected on provider manual replacement page <u>county med 12</u> of the Part 1 manual.

#### 2004 HCPCS and CPT-4 Codes: Billing Update

The 2004 updates to the *Current Procedural Terminology – 4<sup>th</sup> Edition* (CPT-4) and *Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System* (HCPCS Level II codes) will become effective for Medicare on January 1, 2004. Medi-Cal has not yet adopted the 2004 updates. Do not use the 2004 code updates to bill for Medi-Cal services until notified to do so in a future *Medi-Cal Update*.

#### **ICD-9-CM Diagnosis Codes: 2004 Updates**

Providers may use the following diagnosis codes for claims with dates of service on or after January 1, 2004. Please refer to the 2004 *International Classification of Diseases*,  $9^{th}$  *Revision, Clinical Modification*,  $6^{th}$  *Edition* (ICD-9-CM) for the description of each diagnosis code

#### **Additions**

079.82	289.82	530.21	728.88	850.11	V53.91
255.10	289.89	530.85	752.81 *	850.12	V53.99
255.11	331.11 §§	600.00 *	752.89	959.11	V54.01
255.12	331.19	600.01 *	766.21 †	959.12	V54.02 §
255.13	331.82	600.10 *	766.22 †	959.13 *	V54.09
255.14	348.30	600.11 *	767.11 †	959.14	V58.63
277.81	348.31	600.20 *	767.19 †	959.19	V58.64
277.82	348.39	600.21 *	779.83 †	996.57	V58.65
277.83	358.00	600.90 *	780.93	V01.82	V64.41
277.84	358.01	600.91 *	780.94	V04.81	V64.42
277.89	414.07 +	607.85 *	781.94	V04.82 ††	V64.43
282.41	458.21	674.50 **	785.52	V04.89	V65.11 ** ‡
282.42	458.29	674.51 **	788.63	V15.87	V65.19
282.49	480.3	674.52 **	790.21	V25.03 ** ‡	V65.46
282.64	493.81	674.53 **	790.22	V43.21	E928.4
282.68	493.82	674.54 **	790.29	V43.22	E928.5
289.52	517.3	719.7	799.81 ‡‡	V45.85	
289.81	530.20	728.87	799.89	V53.90	

- \* Restricted to males
- \*\* Restricted to females
- † Restricted to ages 0 thru 1 years
- †† Restricted to ages 0 thru 3 years
- § Restricted to ages 0 thru 21 years
- §§ Restricted to ages 0 thru 50 years
- ‡ Restricted to ages 5 thru 70 years
- ‡‡ Restricted to ages 10 thru 99 years
- + Restricted to ages 40 thru 99 years

#### Revisions

The descriptions for the following ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes are revised: 282.60, 282.61, 282.62, 282.63, 282.69, 414.06, 491.20, 491.21, 493.00, 493.02, 493.10, 493.12, 493.20, 493.22, 493.90, 493.92, V06.1 and V06.5.

#### Inactive

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2004, the following ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes are inactive and no longer reimbursable: 255.1, 277.8, 282.4, 289.8, 331.1, 348.3, 358.0, 458.2, 530.2, 600.0, 600.1, 600.2, 600.9, 719.70, 719.75, 719.76, 719.77, 719.78, 719.79, 752.8, 766.2, 767.1, 790.2, 799.8, 850.1, 959.1, V04.8, V43.2, V53.9, V54.0, V64.4 and V65.1.

### Instructions for Manual Replacement Pages Audiology and Hearing Aids (AUD) Bulletin 338

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Remove and replace: tar sub clk 1/2 \*

tar submis 1/2 \*

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<sup>\*</sup> Pages updated/corrected due to ongoing provider manual revisions.